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BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mengis reports as follows: Week ended September 19, 1907. Present officially estimated population, 10,500. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

| Date. | Vessel. | Destination. | Number of crew. | Number of passengers from this port. | Number of passengers in transit. |
|----------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sept. 13 | Origen..... | New Orleans | 28 | 12 | 0 |
| 16 | Oscar G..... | Mobile | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 | Britannic | New York | 25 | 0 | 0 |

Aliens sailing for United States, 4.

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Plague and smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough reports, July 18, 20, 27, and 31:

Week ended July 13. Restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported on July 6, 1907. To the restrictions enforced against Hongkong, as reported on July 6, the following have been added:

| Place or port. | Nature of measure. |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Singapore | Hongkong declared an infected port. |

Return of quarantinable diseases: Plague, 27 cases, 27 deaths; smallpox, 4 cases, 3 deaths.

Week ended July 20. Quarantinable diseases: Plague, 14 cases, 13 deaths; smallpox, 1 case, 0 death.

Week ended July 27. Quarantinable diseases: Plague, 7 cases, 6 deaths; smallpox, 2 cases, 1 death.

Precautions taken at Hongkong during the month of July, 1907, for the protection of the public health of the United States, the insular territory, and the Republic of Panama.

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| Vessels inspected and granted bills of health..... | 37 |
| Vessels fumigated to kill vermin..... | 2 |
| Examined for diseases contemplated in paragraphs 29 and 67 of the Quarantine Regulations: | |
| (a) Personnel | 3, 025 |
| (b) Passengers | 806 |
| Required to bathe and undergo special examination: | |
| (a) Personnel | 2, 275 |
| (b) Passengers | 770 |
| Examined for diseases contemplated by the laws controlling immigration: | |
| Aliens | 664 |
| Rejected | 85 |
| Baggage disinfected and labeled..... | 3, 065 |

Return of communicable diseases: Plague, 73 cases, 71 deaths; smallpox, 10 cases, 6 deaths.

COLOMBIA.

Report from Cartagena—Inspection of vessels—Sanitary conditions—Smallpox—Case of smallpox on steamship Atrato, from Spain via West Indian ports.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Jacobs reports, September 11:

Week ended September 10. Bills of health issued, United States 3, Panama 3; passengers from this port, 66; passengers in transit, 383; members of crews, 365; passengers inspected, 96.

Smallpox is present.

The sanitary condition of Cartagena and surrounding country continues good.

During inspection of steamship *Atrato*, from Southampton to Colon and New York via French and Spanish ports, September 8, a case of smallpox was reported to me by the ship's surgeon. The case had been discovered two days previously and was immediately isolated in one of the boats on the hurricane deck and all sanitary precautions were taken, all passengers and crew being vaccinated at once. The passenger was a Spaniard from Vigo and a "decker" in transit. When I saw the case the eruption was in the beginning of the vesicular stage.

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows:

Week ended September 14, 1907. Estimated population, 6,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

| Date. | Vessel. | Destination. | Number of crew. | Number of passengers from this port. | Number of passengers in transit. |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sept. 8 | San José | Boston | 44 | 6 | 0 |
| 8 | Imperator | New Orleans | 20 | 1 | 0 |
| 9 | Sarnia | New York | 107 | 11 | 8 |
| 11 | Mobile | New Orleans | 48 | 2 | 17 |
| 12 | Bertha | Mobile | 24 | 2 | 0 |
| 13 | Alps | New Orleans | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| 14 | Dictator | do | 19 | 1 | 0 |
| 14 | Matina | do | 48 | 4 | 0 |

Two bills of health for Panaman ports viséed.